

HS/CSG-1625

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MEMORANDUM FOR: CPP

SUBJECT: Monthly Report - February 1956

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1. Personnel. [REDACTED] became available for full-time [REDACTED] activity in early February.

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2. CS Planning Cycle. Review of the Country Appendices of the various divisions has been completed. This staff has recommended a considerable number of changes in several of the Appendices, and a considerable amount of time has been spent in discussing the need for these changes with the [REDACTED] and representatives of the divisions. A number have been accepted, compromise reached on others, and some are yet unresolved. The Staff believes that the following statement, from the Monthly Report-January 1956 is still valid:

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"In general, it is the feeling of [REDACTED] that there is insufficient advance planning for the development of cold and hot war PP assets, when viewed in the light of requirements, and particularly in consideration of the forward projection (3 years) of the planning cycle."

4. Discussions with CI re the coordination of the 1290-d programs are under continuing discussion.

5. Guidance papers on "Unilateral vs. Multilateral Operations" and "Large Scale Bilateral PM Training Projects" were completed and received general policy approval from CPP.

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6. SEATO.

a. A good deal of time was spent in the preparation and coordination of numerous guidance papers for the Secretary of State in connection with the forthcoming meeting of the Council of Ministers of SEATO in Karachi, 6 March 1956.

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b. [REDACTED] will attend the meeting as a U. S. Delegate and will advise the Secretary on matters pertaining to the CCCS.

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c. [REDACTED] of this staff will also attend as an Observer. He will brief [REDACTED] on the background to the Hq. handling of SEATO matters since his last visit home. [REDACTED] will also discuss PP matters with [REDACTED]

7. METO.

a. At the request of State, members of this staff attended a conference on the advisability of American observers attending meetings of two newly organizing METO Committees and as to whether or not CIA wished to supply such an observer.

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b. It has been decided that CIA is interested in providing a suitable Observer, and that coordination of METO matters will centralize in the PP, [REDACTED] staff.

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8. Preliminary planning for a [REDACTED] Seminar to be held in late spring or early summer, has been initiated.

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9. Routine. Cables and despatches [REDACTED] which have content of [REDACTED] interest have been handled during the month in routine fashion.

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10. The monthly report of the [REDACTED] is attached.

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